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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM HELENE WESTERFIELD TO PRESIDENT
TOLBERT

1. EMBASSY REQUESTED PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM HELENE
WESTERFIELD TO PRESIDENT TOLBERT: QUOTE: SHEILA, SAM III
AND I WERE DEEPLY SHOCKED AND SADDENED TO LEARN OF STEVE'S
PASSING.

THOSE OF US WHO KNEW STEVE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER HIM AS

A PRIME MOVER WITH REGARD TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF RESOURCES
AND PROGRAMS IN THE INTEREST OF THE COUNTRY HE LOVED SO
MUCH - LIBERIA. HIS BRILLIANT AND CREATIVE LEADERSHIP AS
A PUBLIC SERVANT WILL LIVE ON IN THE HEARTS OF MEN AND
WOMEN WHO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF KNOWING HIM AND WORKING
WITH HIM.

MY PERCEPTION OF STEVE WAS THAT OF A PIONEER, A DREAMER
AND A BUILDER. HE CONSTANTLY SOUGHT WAYS AND MEANS OF
FACILITATING EFFECTIVE DELIVERY OF SERVICES TO THE PEOPLE
OF LIBERIA. THIS IS HIS LEGACY.

PLEASE ACCEPT OUR HEARTFELT SYMPATHY AND KNOW THAT OUR
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THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS ARE OF YOU AND YOURS, ESPECIALLY, AT

THIS DIFFICULT TIME. SINCERELY, HELENE WESTERFIELD,
UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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